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FIFTH INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the accompanying information is being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

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<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Inventor</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
10/202,093 (Cited herein as US Patent Appln. Publication No. 2002-0178682 A1 of December 5, 2002)	PERVAN	July 25, 2002
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10/768,677 (Cited in Third Information Disclosure Statement filed in the present application on July 26, 2007 as US Patent Appln. Publication No. 2005-0160694 A1 of July 28, 2005)	PERVAN	February 2, 2004
11/822,688 (Cited herein as US Patent Appln. Publication No. 2008-0041008 A1 of February 21, 2008)	PERVAN	July 9, 2007

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11/822,722 (Cited herein as US Patent Appln. Publication No. 2008-0172971 A1 of July 24, 2008)	PERVAN	July 9, 2007
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11/575,600 (Cited herein as US Patent Appln. Publication No. 2008-0134607 A1 of June 12, 2008))	PERVAN	December 7, 2007
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11/952,212 (Cited herein as US Patent Appln. Publication No. 2008-0134613 A1 of June 12, 2008)	PERVAN	December 7, 2007

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The copending applications, not previously of record, are listed by their corresponding publication number on the attached form PTO-1449. Since the copending applications are available in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system, copies of the copending applications are not required to be submitted. By citation to the copending applications, confidentiality is not waived and the Office is requested to maintain the confidentiality of the copending applications under 35 U.S.C. §122.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted after a first Office Action on the merits but prior to the closing of prosecution, therefore under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), the fee of \$180.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that an Examiner-initialed copy of the attached form PTO-1449 be returned to the undersigned.

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